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Office Action Summary

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Examiner

Randal D. Moran

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 21 October 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-18 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-18 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 21 October 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 1-18 are pending in this application.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

3. **Claims 1-18** are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by **Christiano (US 5,386,369)**.

4. Considering **Claim 1**, Christiano discloses a method for securely storing information on a computer (column 1- lines 53-59), said method comprising the steps of: a) retrieving an identity of at least one computer component (column 3- lines 41-47); b) deriving at least one identifier from said identity of said at least one computer component (column 4- lines 6-20), c.) for each of said at least one identifier, storing said information on said computer in a storage entry corresponding to said identifier (Fig. 9A and B, column 9- lines 53-68, column 10- lines 1-8).

5. Considering **Claim 10**, Christiano discloses a method for securely storing information on a computer and retrieving said information (column 1- lines 53-59), said method comprising the steps of: storing said information by: a) retrieving an identity of at least one computer component (column 3- lines 41-47); b) deriving at least one identifier from said identity of said at least one computer component (column 4- lines 6-20), c) for each of said at least one identifier, storing said information on said computer in a storage entry corresponding to said identifier (Fig. 9A and B, column 9- lines 53-68, column 10- lines 1-8); d) retrieving the identity of said at least one computer component (column 3- lines 41-47); e) deriving in the manner of step (b) said at least one identifier from said identity of at least one computer component (column 4- lines 6-20) f) for each of said at least one identifier, retrieving the stored information by: retrieving said information on said computer from a storage entry corresponding to said identifier (Fig. 9A and B, column 9- lines 53-68, column 10- lines 1-8).
6. Considering **Claims 2 and 11**, Christiano discloses deriving at least one identifier from said identity of at least one computer component, is carried out in a secret manner (column 4- lines 6-10).
7. Considering **Claims 3 and 12**, Christiano discloses information is encrypted prior to said storing of said information (column 3- lines 47-51).

8. Considering **Claims 4 and 13**, Christiano discloses storage entry is selected from the group comprising: a file, a registry entry, a database entry (column 9- lines 63-68, column 10- lines 1-8)
9. Considering **Claims 5 and 14**, Christiano discloses identity is selected from the group comprising: a serial number, a type number, a physical location, a network address (column 3, lines 67-68, column 4- lines 1-2).
10. Considering **Claims 6 and 15**, Christiano discloses at least one computer component is selected from the group comprising: a hard drive, a network card, a CPU, a computer chip, a software element, a hardware element, a BIOS, a file, a name of a file, an ID of a file, a physical location of a file, a program (column 3- lines 45-51).
11. Considering **Claims 7 and 16**, Christiano discloses deriving of said at least one identifier from said identity of said at least one computer component (column 4- lines 9-20) is carried out by the steps: a) generating a pseudo-random sequence whose seed is derived from said identity (column 4- lines 9-20); and b) deriving said at least one identifier from at least one member of said pseudo-random sequence (column 4- lines 9-20).

12. Considering **Claims 8 and 17**, Christiano discloses at least one computer component is remotely accessible by said computer (column 1- lines 53-59).
13. Considering **Claims 9 and 18**, Christiano discloses at least one storage entry is remotely accessible by said computer (column 1- lines 53-59).

Conclusion

14. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

- US 5,029,207- encryption with secret serial number.
- US 5,285,497- encrypting data streams with secret serial number.
- US 5,654,746- regulating game use.
- US 6,165,173- Memory.

15. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Randal D. Moran whose telephone number is 571-270-1255. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F: 7:00 - 4:00.

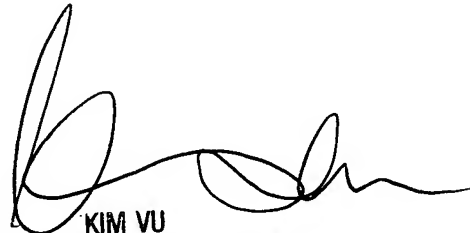
If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kim Vu can be reached on 571-272-3859. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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